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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This application claims the benefit of Korean Application(s) Application No. 10-0000-00000000-P2002-75017 filed on Month 00, 0000 November 28, 2002, which ~~is/are~~ is hereby incorporated by reference.

Please replace paragraph [0004] with the following amended paragraph:

[0004] Such a washing machine is classified ~~into~~ as a pulsator type, an agitator type, ~~and~~ or a drum type. The agitator type washing machine rotates an agitator protruding from a bottom center of a tub in forward and reverse directions to perform washing. The pulsator type washing machine rotates a disc-type pulsator on a bottom of a tub in forward and reverse directions to perform washing using a frictional force between a generated current and a laundry. ~~And, the drum-~~ The drum type washing machine rotates a drum holding water, detergent, and laundry at low speed to perform washing. In this case, a plurality of tumbling ribs protrude from an inside of the tub.

Please replace paragraph [0031]-[0032] with the following amended paragraphs:

[0031] A tub 10 is provided in the cabinet 2. The tub 10 is arranged to be suspended in the cabinet 2. For this, a plurality of elastic members, i.e., a spring 8 and a damper 9 as shown in FIG. 1, support the tub ~~[[25]]~~ 10.

[0032] A drum 20 for holding a laundry and water therein is provided in the tub 10. A plurality of tumbling ribs 21 protrude from an inner circumference of the drum 20 and a multitude of perforated holes 25 penetrate into an outer circumference of the drum 20, whereby

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water supplied in the drum 20 ~~enables to communicate~~ is passed between the tub 10 and the drum 20 via the perforated holes 25.

Please replace paragraph [0034] with the following amended paragraph:

[0034] A motor 15 is installed ~~[[in]]~~ at a rear of the tub 10. A shaft of the motor 15, as shown in FIG. 1, penetrates into the tub 10 to be connected to the drum 20. Hence, once the motor 15 is driven, the drum 20 rotates in the tub 10. Meanwhile, the laundry is lifted up by the tumbling ribs 21 to fall down while the drum 20 rotates, by which frictional and shock energy is sufficiently provided for washing.

Please replace paragraph [0038] with the following amended paragraph:

[0038] Meanwhile, the bolt 40 in the vicinity of the power cable 30 has a unique structure enabling it to hold the power cable 30. A structure of a tub protection bolt 40 according to the present invention is explained in detail by referring to FIG. 2 to FIG. 5 as follows. FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view of a protection bolt coupled with a tub in the washing machine in FIG. 2, FIG. 4 is a front view of a head part of a protection bolt according to one embodiment of the present invention, and FIG. 5 is a front view of a head part of a protection bolt according to another embodiment of the present invention.

Please replace paragraph [0043] with the following amended paragraph:

[0043] Accordingly, if the cut-away portion 48 is provided at the ~~heat~~ head part 45, the user has difficulty in pulling out the power cable 30 from the cabinet 2 to connect to the electric outlet unless the bolt 40 ~~[[I]]~~ is unscrewed after installation of the washing machine. Thus, the

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tub 10 is previously prevented from being broken by operating the washing machine while the tub 10 is fixed by the bolt 40.

Please replace paragraph [0063] with the following amended paragraph:

[0063] In the present invention, the power cable 30 may include a protrusion 31. The protrusion 31 extends outward from a circumference of the power cable 30. The protrusion 31, as shown in FIG. 3, is arranged between the head part 45 and the cabinet 2 when the power cable ~~[[0]]~~ 30 is inserted in the cut-away portion 48. When the power cable 30 is pulled out, the protrusion 31 is caught on the flange 47 to prevent the power cable 30 from being pulled out.